

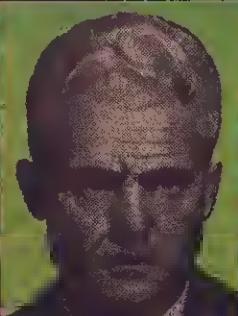
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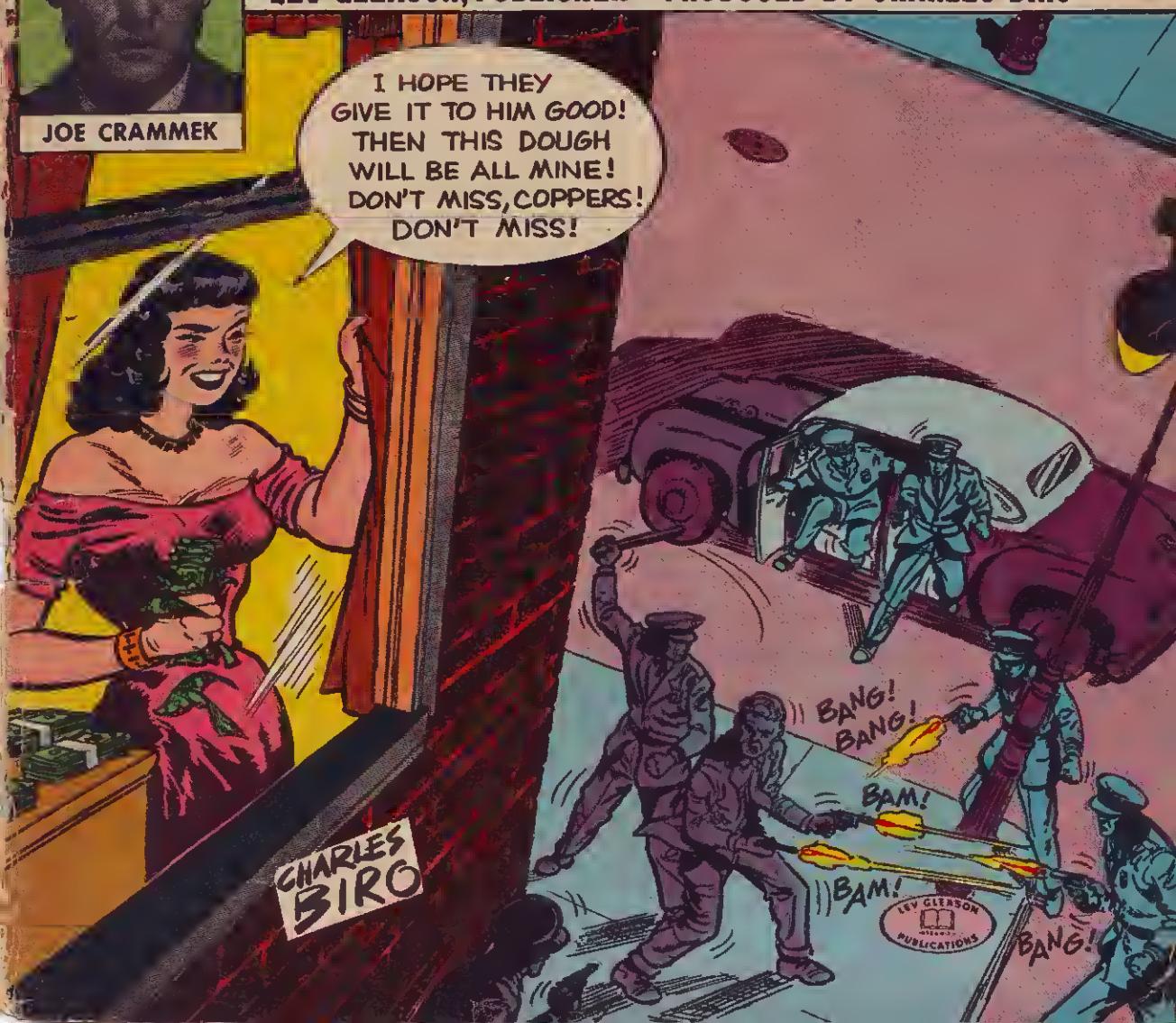


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WITH NO ROOM IN HER
HEART FOR ANYTHING
OR ANYBODY EXCEPT
MONEY...



MIKE HAUSER, RUTHLESS
BANK ROBBER AND
LEADER OF THE NOTORIOUS
MURDER GANG.



SILENT JOE CRAMMER,
PROFESSIONAL KILLER
ON WHOSE UNERRING
GUN LILI RAVELL
PLACED ALL HER PLANS.

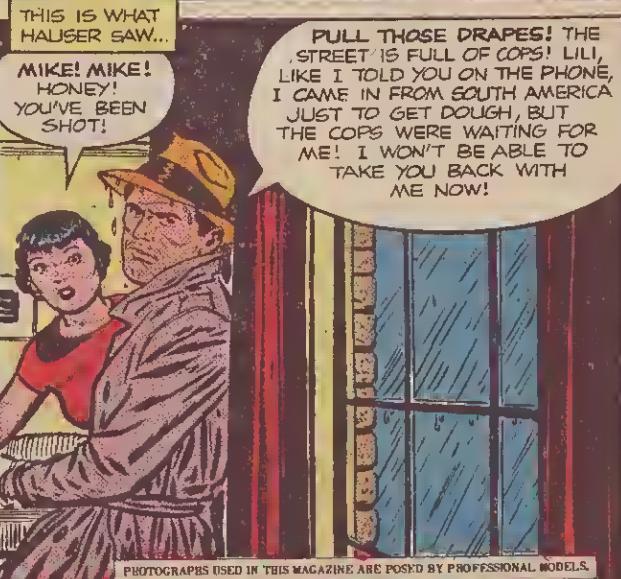


CHARLIE (THE APE)
MATTSON, DUMB AND
DANGEROUS—THE
GANG'S STRONG ARM
MAN!



THAT AUGUST NIGHT,
THREE YEARS AGO,
AS THE POLICE
SOUGHT BANK
ROBBER, MIKE
HAUSER, IN THE
DISMAL FALLING
RAIN, HE WAS
MAKING HIS WAY
ACROSS ROOFTOPS
TO THE
APARTMENT OF
HIS GIRL FRIEND
LILI RAVELL!

HE HAD RETURNED
TO GET THE MONEY
HE HAD HIDDEN A
YEAR BEFORE...



AND THE MONEY,
MIKE? WHAT
HAPPENED TO
THE MONEY?

THE DOUGH
WAS INTACT, LILI!
IT'S THERE ON
THE FLOOR IN
THAT METAL BOX!
IT'S A HALF
MILLION, LILI, IN
COLD CASH!

LET ME
DRESS THAT
SHOULDER,
MIKE!

NO, BABY! I
GOTTA RUN—MY
CARS DOWN-
STAIRS! I'LL
CRASH THROUGH
THE DRAGNET
AND LEAD 'EM
AWAY FROM
HERE!

IF THEY GET ME, LILI, THEY WON'T
KEEP ME! THE MOST IMPORTANT
THING IS TO MAKE SURE THEY
DON'T GET THE DOUGH! I'M
LEAVIN' IT WITH YOU, LILI—
BECAUSE I TRUST YOU
ALL THE WAY!

YOU KNOW
YOU CAN, MIKE! YOU
KNOW YOU CAN! I'M
CRAZY ABOUT YOU,
DARLING!

THEN WHEN I COME BACK
BABY! WE'RE GONNA DO ALL
THEM THINGS WE ALWAYS
DREAMED ABOUT—PARIS,
BERMUDA, MEXICO... RITZY
HOTELS... BIG CARS...
THE WORKS!

SURE, MIKE, SURE!
ONLY FOR HEAVEN'S
SAKE, BE CAREFUL!
THIS DOUGH MEANS
NOTHING WITHOUT
YOU, SWEETIE! BE
CAREFUL!

HA! HA! THE CHUMP! LEAVING LITTLE
LILI WITH A HALF MILLION LETTUCE
LEAVES! I HOPE THEY GET HIM AND
GIVE IT TO HIM GOOD! THEN THE
DOUGH IS ALL MINE, AND
LILI WILL PAINT THE TOWN!



AT THAT MOMENT, THE RATTLE OF GUN-FIRE WAS
HEARD IN THE STREETS BELOW! LILI RAVELL
LISTENED... AND HOPED...

THEY GOT MIKE AND
THEY'RE GIVIN' IT TO
HIM! DON'T MISS, COPPERS!
DON'T MISS!

RATTA-TAC TAC
BANG POW
BANG BAM

THE LAW DIDN'T MISS THAT NIGHT AS MIKE
HAUSER MADE HIS BID FOR FREEDOM! A BLAST
OF GUNFIRE GOT HIS TIRES...

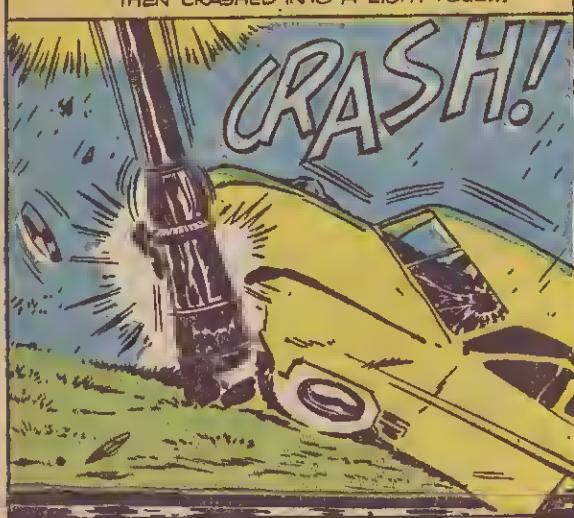
BAM! POW! BANG!
BAM-BAM-BAM!

CLINK

THUD

OUT OF CONTROL, THE CAR SWERVED CRAZILY
THEN CRASHED INTO A LIGHT POLE...

MIKE HAUSER WAS STILL ALIVE WHEN THEY
DRAGGED HIM FROM THE ROARING FLAMES!



MIKE'S INJURIES HEALED QUICKLY! HE WAS BROUGHT TO TRIAL CONVICTED AND SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON! IT WAS HERE AS THE MONTHS PASSED THAT HE GAINED THE CONFIDENCE AND FRIENDSHIPS OF TWO OTHER CONVICTS - CHARLIE (THE APE) MATTSON AND SILENT JOE CRAMMEK...

ALL RIGHT-

NO GUARDS AROUND! AT LAST I GOT A CHANCE TO TALK! LISTEN...



HONEST, SILENT! BACK IN EAST CITY I'VE GOT HALF MILLION CLAMS HID AWAY IN CASH! NOW ARE YOU BOYS INTERESTED IN SETTING UP A GAMBLING JOINT AN' MOVING INTO THE

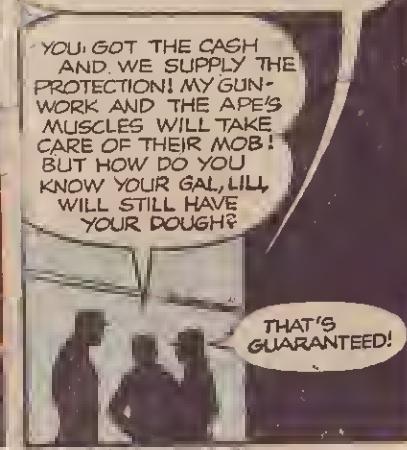
REAL BIG TIME? THE BIG TIME IN EAST CITY IS ALREADY RACKED UP HAUSER! THAT TOWN IS CONTROLLED BY A ROUGH MOB! WHERE DO WE FIT?



THEY'RE NOT SO TOUGH! WE CAN WORK OVER ANYONE ALIVE WHO GETS IN OUR WAY, AND YOU SILENT, CAN DO THE PISTOL WORK WHEN IT'S NECESSARY!

YOU GOT THE CASH AND WE SUPPLY THE PROTECTION! MY GUN-WORK AND THE APE'S MUSCLES WILL TAKE CARE OF THEIR MOB! BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW YOUR GAL, LILL, WILL STILL HAVE YOUR DOUGH?

THAT'S GUARANTEED!



HAUSER WAS RELEASED ON APRIL 15TH! THE OTHER TWO HAD SERVED THEIR TIME! THEY MET WITH LILL IN EAST CITY...

HAUSER, YOU GOT A PRIZE IN LILL! IT'S HARD TO FIND A GAL YOU CAN TRUST! WHAT'S OUR MOVE?

FIRST WE MAKE OURSELVES KNOWN TO THE OTHER MOBS IN THIS BURG! BIG ZIGGIE HAYES, FOR INSTANCE!



SO TONIGHT WE GIVE ZIGGIE A CALL! C'MON, LET'S GO! HEY, SILENT! C'MON!



ON THAT APRIL NIGHT, ZIGGIE HAYES AND THREE MOBSTERS, LOUIE BURDET, ALFY KLINE AND SINGING JOE MORGAN, WALKED INTO COLEMAN GARAGE...

YOUR CAR'S READY, MR. HAYES! THERE SHE IS—ALL FIXED UP AND SHINED UP!

OKAY, BOY—CHARGE IT!



HAYES DROVE OUT OF THE GARAGE, TOOK A RIGHT ON UPPER AUSTIN STREET AND RAN INTO A HAIL OF GUNFIRE FROM THE WAITING HAUSER MOB...



HAYES HIMSELF SURVIVED THE FIRST VOLLEY! HE JUMPED FROM THE CAR, BUT SILENT CRAMMEK'S GUN ROARED ONCE...TWICE...AND HAYES COLLAPSED!

YOU...RATS! YOU DIRTY RATS! I'LL...I'LL...UHHH...

YOU'LL DO NOTHING, ZIGGIE, EXCEPT FALL OVER DEAD!

BANG! BANG!



THE GARAGE ATTENDANT, FRANK MORETTI, WITNESSED THE SHOOTING...THE LAST MISTAKE HE EVER MADE...

GOLLY—GANG WAR RIGHT OUT HERE! I'LL CALL THE COPS AN' TELL 'EM JUST WHAT I SAW!



YOU'RE DOING NOTHING, BROTHER! NOTHING, NEVER!

NO! NO! PLEASE! AAGHHH...



THAT'S ENOUGH, APE! THE GUY'S DEAD! C'MON, WE GOTTA HURRY!

SURE, SURE! THAT GUY WAS GONNA SQUEAL! HE SAW US! I HAD TO MAKE SURE HE WAS REAL DEAD!



THEN WHEN THEY ARRIVED AT LILI'S APARTMENT HANGOUT...

LILI, YOU AND SILENT GO ON IN! WE'RE GONNA GET RID OF THIS CAR! JUST IN CASE SOMEONE SAW IT!

OKAY—SEE YOU LATER!

AND LILI—GET ME TEN GRAND!

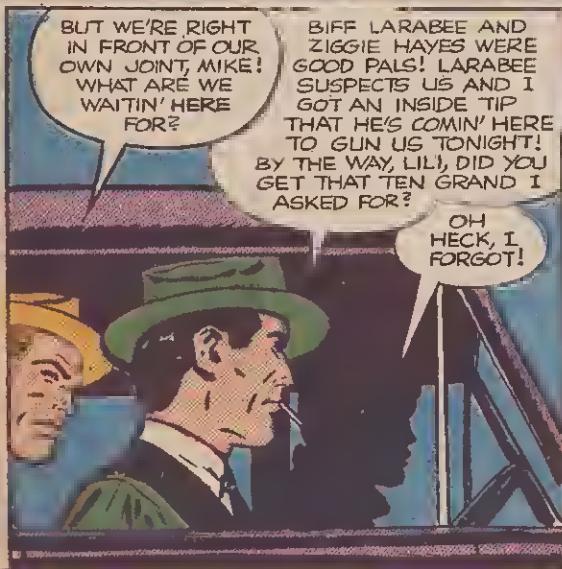
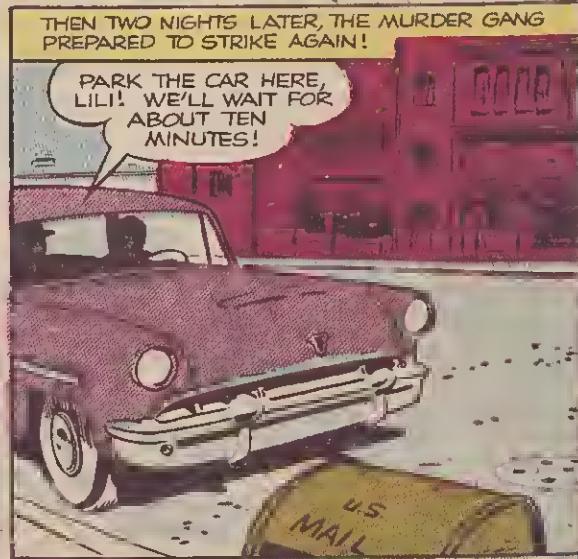


DON'T PLAY HARD-TO-GET, HANDSOME! MIKE TOLD ME HOW YOU GUNNED DOWN ZIGGIE HAYES! HE TELLS ME YOU'RE THE BEST GUN-MAN IN THE BIZ!

YOU'RE A GOOD-LOOKIN' GAL, LILI! BUT YOU BELONG TO MIKE! I ONLY WORK FOR MIKE!

LOOK, DARLING, I'M NOBODY'S GIRL IN PARTICULAR UNTIL SOMEONE CLAIMS ME! AS FOR MIKE BEING BOSS, YOU COULD BE BOSS ANY TIME YOU FELT LIKE IT!

NOT FOR ME, THANKS! THAT'S TOO BIG A RESPONSIBILITY! I'M JUST A TRIGGER MAN—NOTHIN' MORE!





OKAY, LILI—TAKE THE WEST PARKWAY OUT OF TOWN! WE'RE GOING ON A WEEK'S VACATION! BEFORE WE FINISH THE REST OF OUR BUSINESS IN EAST CITY!



LATER AT A QUIET LODGE IN THE MOUNTAINS THE SEDAN BRAKED TO A STOP...

THE TOWN'S ABOUT SIX MILES FROM HERE! YOU AND LILI ARRANGE FOR ROOMS! THE APE AND I ARE GOING INTO TOWN! AN' SEE IF THERE'S ANY NEWS ABOUT THE LARABEE SHOOTING!



WE'RE WASTING TIME, SILENT! WHY DON'T WE GET RID OF MIKE AND YOU TAKE OVER? YOU AND THE APE AND ME CAN GO PLACES!



NOW WE MAKE OUR MOVE!
HEY, LILI, WHERE'S THE TEN
G'S I ASKED YOU FOR?
GET IT UP! AND MAKE IT
TWENTY!
NOW!

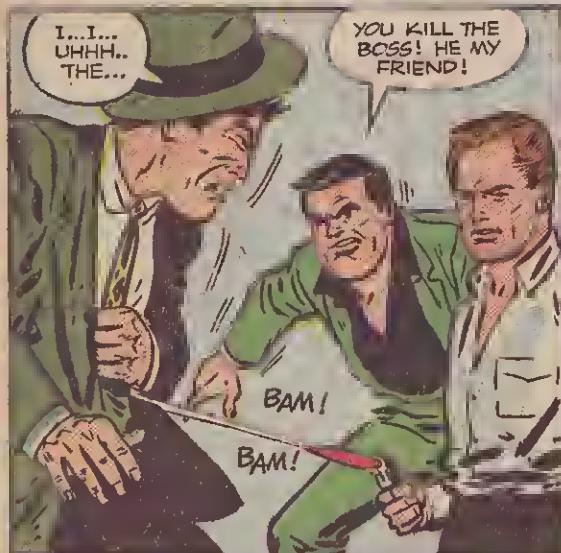
MIKE, I SPENT
A LITTLE! I
DON'T HAVE IT
ALL LEFT!

WHAT? OUT OF OVER TWO
HUNDRED GRAND?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU
SPENT SOME OF IT? SPEAK
UP, YOU CHEAP
MOLL! ARE
YOU TRYING
TO BE
FUNNY?

TURN THE
LADY LOOSE,
MIKE, OR I'LL
KILL YOU AND
BE CAREFUL
HOW YOU SPEAK
TO HER!

ARE YOU TAKING
HER SIDE AGAINST
ME? YOU'RE CRAZY,
SILENT! GO GET
HIM, APE!
GET HIM!

AN' THAT'S WHERE
YOU MAKE A
MISTAKE, MIKE!
I'LL TAKE YOU
BOTH!



THE THREE VILLAINS DIED, AND THE MONEY WAS RE-COVERED! EVEN IF LILI COULD HAVE KEPT THE MONEY SHE WOULD FIRST BE AN OLD WOMAN BEFORE SHE COULD HAVE SPENT A CENT OF IT! SHE OUTSMARTED HERSELF AND CRASHED HEADLONG INTO TRAGEDY!
CASE CLOSED!

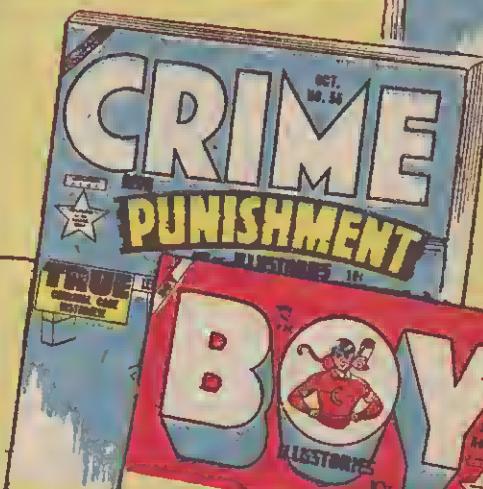
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BEST COMICS -



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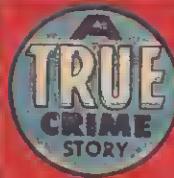


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THESE TITLES

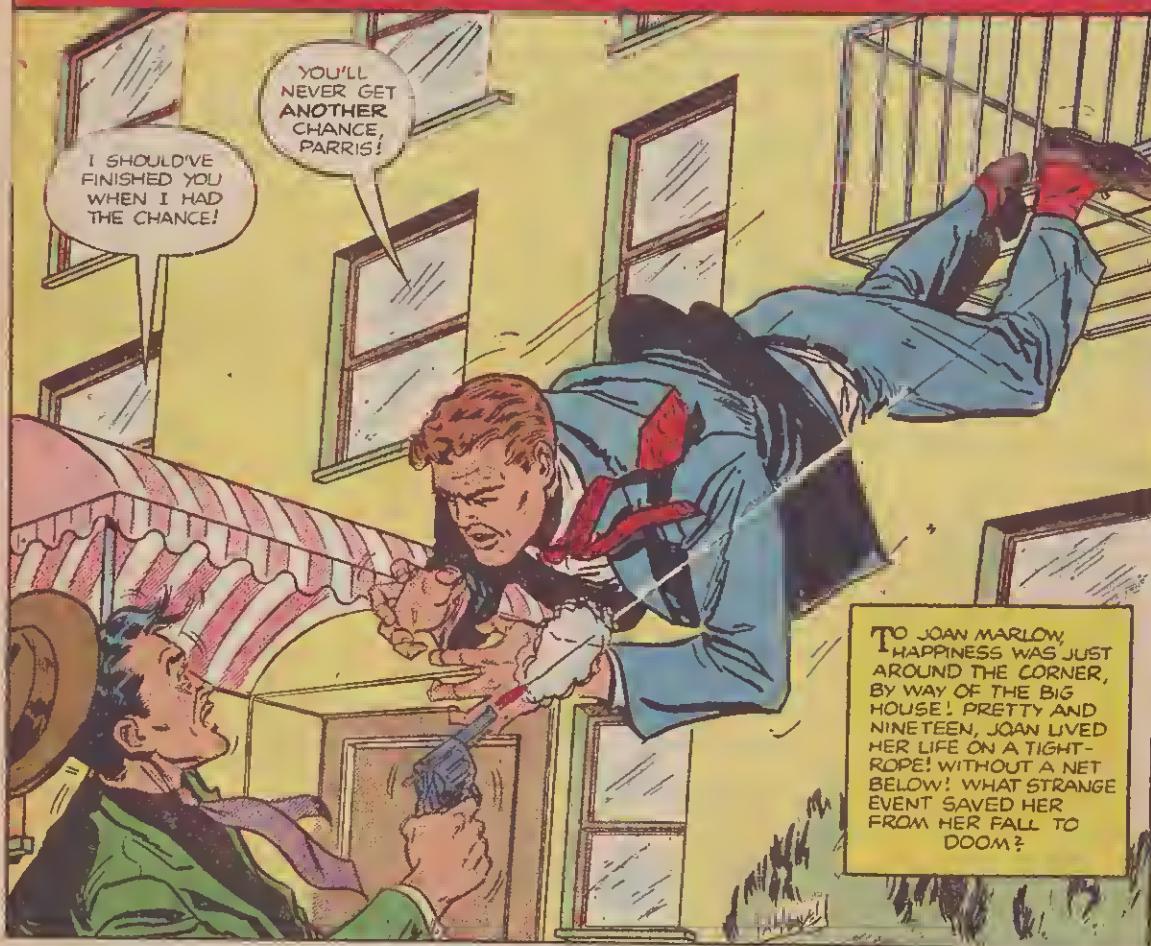


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LOOK FOR THEM!
ON YOUR NEWSSTANDS!



VALENTINE in LEAD





SOME GUYS DON'T
LEARN EASY!
HOW DO YOU
LIKE YOUR ROMEO
NOW, HONEY!

NICK! FOR
GOODNESS
SAKE!
DON'T!

NO!

NOW
EVEN HIS
SISTER
WON'T
LOVE
HIM!

SEE I DONE
WHAT I CAME
FOR! LET'S GO,
HONEY! YOU'RE
COMING
WITH ME!

YOU
CRAZY
FOOL!
CRAZY!
CRAZY!

SEEIN' AS YOUR
PARTNER JUST
RESIGNED, SWEETIE,
I'M TAKING OVER!
AN'REMEMBER-

IT COULD
HAPPEN TO
YOU!

OKAY, NICK—
YOU WIN!
YOU CAN
WORK WITH
ME! COME—
I'LL SHOW YOU
THE RACKET
WE'VE GOT
WORKED OUT!



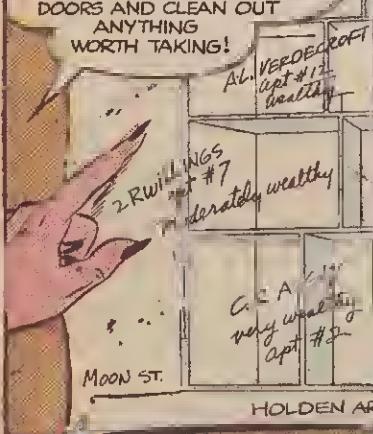
WE'VE GOT MAPS MADE... ALL
FOR APARTMENTS ON POND OR
FIRTH AVENUE! I GET IN THE
BUILDING WEARING A NURSE'S
UNIFORM... LOOK FOR UNLOCKED
DOORS AND CLEAN OUT
ANYTHING
WORTH TAKING!

IF NOBODY ANSWERS THE
BELL, I TRY THE DOOR!
OUT OF FIFTY OR HUNDRE
APARTMENTS! THERE'S
BOUND TO BE A FEW
LEFT OPEN! HOW
DOES IT LOOK
TO YOU?

WE'RE IN
BUSINESS!
WE SPLIT
FIFTY-FIFTY!
JUST LIKE
THE OLD
DAYS!

OH, NO! WE
DIDN'T SPLIT
THE JAIL TERM,
NICK! I TAKE
MOST OF THE
RISK! I'M GET-
TING SEVENTY-
FIVE PER
CENT!

OKAY, GENIUS!
IT'LL BE FIFTY-
FIFTY AFTER
WE'RE MARRIED
ANYWAY!



EIGHT WERE
LOCKED! THESE
PEOPLE DON'T TRUST
ANYBODY! I'LL TRY
THIS DOOR!

I'M SORRY—I MUST HAVE
THE WRONG APARTMENT! I
A NURSE! COME
ON IN, FLORENCE
NIGHTINGALE!
YOU'RE JUST IN
TIME, SUGAR!
I'VE GOT A TERRIFIC
HANGOVER!

GUESS I
GOT OFF
AT THE
WRONG
FLOOR!

HEY—WHAT
ABOUT MY
HEADACHE?
YOU
CAN'T LEAVE ME
IN PAIN
LIKE THIS!

TAKE AN
ASPIRIN! I'M
BUSY!





WHO AM I KIDDING? ME AND A GUY FROM THE SOCIAL REGISTER! WHAT A LAUGH! BUT HE WAS NICE...AND I THINK HE LIKED ME... BUT IT COULDN'T HAPPEN!

SHOULD I OR SHOULDN'T I MEET HIM?

JOYCE! SEE, I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU! I WAS AFRAID YOU WOULDN'T COME!

I ALMOST DIDN'T...I'M GLAD YOU'RE GLAD!

YOU'RE TOO LATE, ROMEO! SHE WENT OUT ABOUT AN HOUR AGO, AND DID SHE LOOK GOOD! MAN, SHE WAS DRESSED TO KILL!

WENT OUT? SHE SAID SHE WAS TIRED! YOU'RE LYING!



SHE DIDN'T LOOK SO TIRED TO ME! I GUESS YOU'RE LOSING YOUR TOUCH! HEY!

SHUT UP! YOU TALK TOO MUCH! OUT WITH ANOTHER GUY, HUH? I'LL FIX HIM, TOO!

I KNEW YOU WERE A GOOD GIRL, FROM THE VERY FIRST, JOYCE! I'D LIKE TO HELP YOU, IF YOU'D LET ME!

YOU'RE WRONG, LARRY! STAY AWAY FROM ME...I'M NO GOOD! I JUST GOT OUT OF PRISON! I TRIED TO ROB YOU, DIDN'T I? WHAT MORE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

JUST THAT YOU'LL TRY TO FORGET THE PAST! IT WAS FATE THAT MADE YOU KNOCK ON MY DOOR!

I'D LIKE TO BELIEVE IT'S TRUE... BUT WE'RE FROM DIFFERENT WORLDS!





WE'LL LIVE HERE
AT MY APARTMENT!
I'M SORRY IT
WASN'T A DRESS
WEDDING,
SWEET!

OH, LARRY,
I DON'T CARE
ABOUT THAT!
I HAVE YOU...
THAT'S ALL
THAT
MATTERS!

I CAN
HELP
YOU,
SIR?

L.G...L.G...
THERE IT IS!
LAWRENCE
GELLER!

THAT'S
OKAY, BUDDY-
I JUST FOUND
IT! THANKS!

PACKAGE
FOR MR.
LAWRENCE
GELLER!

DON'T
OPEN IT!
THAT'S
NICK'S
VOICE!





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HANG ON TO YOUR STEAM SHOVEL!

COULD ANYONE LOSE A STEEL BRIDGE OR A BUILDING? IF YOU DOUBT THIS POSSIBILITY, READ ABOUT SOME OF THE UNBELIEVABLE BUT TRUE ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN REPORTED LOST OR STOLEN. HANG ON TO YOUR STEAM SHOVEL!

HIGH LEVEL LARCENY

Residents of Montreal, Canada, were startled when they discovered that not even their real estate was safe from the city's energetic thieves. They learned that three men had been sent to prison for stealing an entire apartment house. The edifice in question had belonged to an ex-alderman of Montreal and was a vacant eight flat building located on Rosemount Boulevard. When the ex-alderman returned from a vacation at his summer home at Lake Marais, there was not a trace of his building to be found. Nothing was left but a hole in the ground. Three men who were later arrested, confessed to dismantling the entire house because they believed it belonged to no particular person. Police had watched them while they worked without molesting them in any way.

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POWERFUL CRIME

There is no end to the methods to which criminals will resort to earn a dishonest dollar, and sometimes even the location of the stolen articles makes no difference to the low breaker. Two Buffalo, New York youths were lodged in a county jail on a charge of cutting down 14,000 feet of power line and selling it. Police reports indicated that the boys had climbed up poles, cut down the cables in 500 foot lengths, and sold them in Swanton, Vermont at ten cents a pound. The stolen lines were not in use and had been strung alongside lines carrying high-voltage electricity.



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COVER UP. Police of Columbus, Ohio were given some food for thought when a manhole cover salesman reported that thieves had bocked a vehicle into his yard, and hauled away six 130 pound iron covers.

SAFETY FIRST

WHAT'S THE
COMBO, SHERIFF?



Burglars who entered the home of a policeman living in Atlanta, Georgia, hauled away a 400 pound safe containing \$40.00, some jewelry, and valuable papers. The henchmen thieves encountered stiff resistance, however, when they attempted to break open the doors of the iron stronghold. The nervy burglars reached a new height in courtesy, when they telephoned him and asked him for the combination of the safe, in order to avoid using hammer and chisel. The policeman gave it readily after being promised that none of his papers would be taken. It has not been recorded whether the polite robbers also returned the empty safe to their victim.



ADVERTISING DOES NOT PAY

For several weeks a fifty-foot steel structure had been on its side in front of a very large plant in Elizabeth, New Jersey, while officials of the firm pondered over new advertising slogans to be posted atop the steel frame. They deliberated too long, however. Just before final arrangements were completed, it was discovered that someone had stolen the massive tower. Police believed that the thief or thieves must have cut it up and hauled it off on a truck.



THE TRAVELLING BELL. Crime is no respecter of religion. For proof, one need look no further than the incident which took place recently in Lancaster, Ohio. In order to expedite the repairs to the roof of one of the churches, an ancient quarter-of-a-ton bronze bell was removed from the belfry and placed on the ground nearby. When the repairs were completed, irate church fathers discovered that someone had stolen the huge bell.



DON'T FENCE ME IN. Intending to erect a fence around part of his three-acre tract of land, an attorney practicing in Houston, Texas, purchased twenty-seven fence posts. For two weeks he left the posts lying around on the ground in front of his house, before undertaking the fencing job. On the morning after he had set each of the posts deep and solidly in the ground, he awoke to find all of them missing. A thief had stolen them.





COBRA with LIPSTICK

ON MARCH 17, 1952, AT 11:00 P.M., A MAN NAMED ALBERT PALEY, 25 YEARS OLD, RAN FROM A JEWELRY STORE OF A LARGE MIDWESTERN CITY WITH AN ARMFUL OF JEWELRY...

...BUT JUST TWENTY MINUTES AFTER THE CRIME WAS COMMITTED, PALEY WAS APPREHENDED BY THE POLICE...



AFTER HAVING SERVED THIRTEEN MONTHS OF HIS TERM IN STATE PRISON, ALBERT PALEY APPEARED BEFORE THE PAROLE BOARD IN AN EFFORT TO WIN A PAROLE...



THAT DAY I
SAW HER
GET OUT OF
A SNAPPY
SPORTS
CAR WITH
JOEY HUGGO,
A WELL-
HEELED GUY
I HAD MET
A COUPLE
OF NIGHTS
BEFORE, AT
MORENCY'S
BAR AND
GRILL...

UH...HI, THERE, JOEY!
HOW'S THINGS, PALE?

WE WERE GOIN' UP
TA BEANY HARRE'S
FLAT FOR A LITTLE
CARD GAME! WANNA
COME ALONG?

BY THE WAY AL, I
WANTCHA TA MEET
A FRIEND OF MINE -
CONNIE, SAY H'LO
TO AL PALEY!

HELLO,
AL
PALEY!

HELLOOO,
CONNIE!

YOU TWO KINDA
LIKE EACH OTHER,
DON'T YA?

DO YOU
BLAME ME?
REAL BLONDES
ARE SCARCE!

AND THAT WAS THE BEGINNING OF IT
ALL...MEETING THEM ON THE STREET,
AND THEN GOING UP TO BEANY HARRE'S
PLACE...

WHEN THE GAME BROKE UP, I HAD
WON EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS!

EIGHTY-THREE
CLAMEROOS!
AL! YOUR BE-
GINNER'S LUCK
SURE PAID
OFF!

THIS IS BETTER
THAN WORKING!
JUST SHOWS
WHAT LUCK
CAN DO!

CONNIE WAS
A REAL
CLASSY
DAME! I
ENVIED HUGGO
HIS MONEY,
BUT MOST
OFF ALL, FOR
HAVING A
DOLL LIKE
CONNIE! I
PICKED UP
MY WINNINGS
AND TURNED
TO GO
WHEN...

LOOK, AL, DO ME A
FAVOR! I'VE GOT
THINGS TO DO! I'M
TRYIN' TA SHAKE THE
DAME COULD YOU
TAKE HER OFF MY
HANDS FOR A
WHILE?

SURE, JOEY,
SURE! ANY-
TIME,
PAL!

I JUMPED
AT THE
CHANCE!
I WAS
READY TO
BLOW
ALL MY
WINNINGS
ON HER...

DO YOU THINK
YOU COULD LIKE
ME, BABY?

I DON'T HAVE ANY
REASON TO DISLIKE
YOU, AL PALEY...
NOT YET, ANYWAY!

SEE THE WAD I TOOK FROM THOSE GUYS? I'VE GOT DOUGH, BABY! LET'S GO OUT AND GO PLACES...JUST YOU AND ME!

DOUGH? YOU CALL A LITTLE EIGHTY-THREE DOLLAR POT AT CARDS, DOUGH? THAT'S PEANUTS, AL PALEY!



OKAY, BABY... IF IT'S BIG DOUGH YOU WANT, I CAN GET IT!

AND WHEN YOU DO, AL PALEY, COME AND SEE ME!

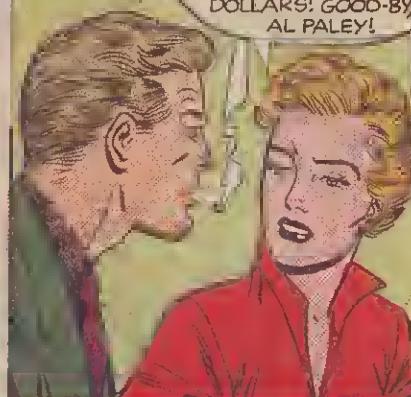


I HAD NEVER COMMITTED A ROBBERY BEFORE, AND AS I SLUGGED THE OLD MAN IN THE STORE THE NEXT NIGHT, I HAD A COLD CHILL IN MY STOMACH...



PEANUTS? YOU CALL EIGHTY-THREE LETTUCE LEAVES PEANUTS! LOOK, AL PALEY—I RIDE AROUND IN CARS THAT COST SIX GRAND! I WEAR CLOTHES THAT COULD NOT BE DRY CLEANED FOR EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS! GOOD-BY, AL PALEY!

I COULDN'T LET CONNIE GO OUT OF MY LIFE LIKE THAT! SHE WAS EXPENSIVE, AND THERE WAS ONLY ONE WAY A CHUMP LIKE ME COULD GET BIG DOUGH



I MADE A RUN FOR IT AS AN ALARM WENT OFF, AND I HEARD THE SHRILL WHISTLE OF A POLICE WARNING...



I DIDN'T STOP WHEN THE POLICEMAN WARNED, SO HE OPENED FIRE... I FIRED BACK AT HIM, AS I WENT OVER A FENCE INTO A VACANT LOT...

GOTTA MAKE IT ALL THE WAY— CAN'T MISS NOW!



I SPED ACROSS THE LOT, DODGED INTO AN ALLEY AND MADE MY WAY HOME! THE TAKE AMOUNTED TO OVER TWELVE HUNDRED DOLLARS! THE NEXT DAY I WENT TO SEE CONNIE...

SO YOU PAID SIX HUNDRED FOR THE BRACELET! IT'S BEAUTIFUL, AL! AH...IT'S JUST PLAIN AL NOW AND NOT AL PALEY! I LIKE THAT MUCH BETTER, BABY!



GIVE BABY
A BIG KISS...
Mmm-m-m...



AND NOW I'VE
GOT TO HURRY,
AL! CALL ME
SOME OTHER
TIME...MAYBE
TOMORROW,
HUUH?



EH? OH, SURE, CONNIE!
I'LL CALL YOU TOMORROW!
ARE YOU SURE YOU
HAVE TO GO
NOW?

NOW WOULDN'T I
BE FOOLISH TO KEEP
A BIG CADILLAC
CONVERTIBLE WAITING
OUTSIDE! THE
GENTLEMAN WOULDN'T
LIKE IT!

CADILLAC,
HUUH? I SEE!
OKAY, BABY,
I'LL CALL
YOU TO-
MORROW!



THAT
SAME
NIGHT, I
COMMITTED
MY SECOND
CRIME...
A NIGHT
CLUB!
I WENT
TO THE
OFFICE,
MASKED,
HELD A
GUN ON
THE
MANAGER,
AND...

YOU CAN'T GET
AWAY WITH
THIS!

SHUT UP! JUST
UNLOAD THAT
SAFE! AND MAKE
IT SNAPPY!



"AS SOON AS I HAD POCKETED THE CASH, A BURLY
BOUNCER APPEARED IN THE DOORWAY BEHIND
ME...BUT I SAW HIM IN TIME! I TURNED
AND SLUGGED HIM...."



"THEN I MADE MY WAY STRAIGHT TO
CONNIE ELYE'S PLACE..."
EIGHT THOUSAND
DOLLARS!

I CAN ALSO GET
CADILLACS, BABY! AL
PALEY IS NO SMALL-
TIMER! GET THAT
STRAIGHT!



I KNOW THAT, BABY! I'VE ALWAYS KNOWN IT!
I JUST WANTED TO SEE YOU PROVE IT! NOW
I'VE GOT A BIG SURPRISE
FOR YOU!



CONNIE
OPENED
A DOOR
AND IN
CAME
JOEY HUGGO
WITH A
MOB
OF TOUGH
LOOKING
HOODS...

JOEY AND THE
BOYS HAVE
BEEN MAKING
PLANS, BABY—
PLANS THAT
INCLUDE
YOU!

HIYA, AL! CONNIE'S
BEEN KEEPING US
INFORMED ABOUT YOU!
WE THINK YOU'RE
READY TO MOVE IN
WITH US ON THE
REALLY BIG
KILLINGS!

HUH?
WHAT BIG
KILLINGS?

WE'RE GOING TO NAIL A JEWELRY
STORE TONIGHT! WE'LL PICK UP
BETTER THAN HALF A MILLION! YOUR
JOB'LL BE EASY! WE'LL CRACK THE
PLACE OPEN...YOU GRAB THE LOOT
AND BRING IT HERE TO CONNIE'S
WHILE WE LEAD THE COPS ON
A WILD GOOSE CHASE!

!?

SOUNDS
OKAY TO
ME! COUNT
ME IN,
FELLOWS!

OKAY, PAL! WE'LL GO
OVER THE DETAILS
LATER! YOU WON'T
REGRET THIS, BOY—
THERE'S A NICE CUT
IN IT FOR YOU!

"SO THAT NIGHT, AT 10:45 WE
GATHERED OUTSIDE THE JEWELRY
STORE AS PLANNED...

I'VE FIXED THE ALARM;
JOEY! YOU AND AL WAIT
OUTSIDE! WE'LL GET
THE STUFF!

"AT ELEVEN SHARP, THEY HANDED
ME THE LOOT, AND I TOOK OFF
FOR CONNIE'S PLACE LIKE
THEY HAD SAID..."

THIS IS A CINCH!



WHAT I
DIDN'T
KNOW
WAS THAT
THE WHOLE
THING
WAS A
FRAMEUP!
THAT I
WAS THE
DECAY!
JOEY AND
THE OTHERS
GOT THE
REAL HAUL,
HANDING
ME ONLY
A SMALL
PART
OF IT...

OKAY—THE COPS
ARE GOIN' AFTER AL!
C'MON, WE'VE GOTTA
GET TO THE AIRPORT
AND JOIN CONNIE!

WON'T
BRIGHT BOY
BE
SURPRISED!
HAW! HAW!



"AS I
RAN
DOWN
THE ALLEY,
I WAS
SUDDENLY
SURROUNDED
BY A
DOZEN
COPS! THEY
SEEMED TO
BE WAITING
TO NAIL
ME! THEY
EVEN
CALLED
OUT
MY
NAME!"

"ALL RIGHT, PALEY!
WE KNEW WE'D GET
YOU! THE TIP WE
GOT TURNED OUT
TO BE HOTTER THAN
WE THOUGHT!"

TIP? SOMEBODY
TIPPED YOU OFF?
WHY THOSE
DIRTY RATS! THE
WHOLE MOB
CROSSED ME!



I FOUND OUT THAT EVEN THE CARD GAME HAD BEEN RIGGED — TO GET ME IN... THAT CONNIE ELYE WAS A DECOY! JOEY HUGGO HAD SET UP A PLAN TO TAKE ME THROUGH THE WRINGER AND I FELL FOR IT!

ALL RIGHT, PALEY! WE'LL GIVE YOU OUR DECISION SHORTLY!



YOU THEN ROBBED A NIGHT CLUB OF \$12,000, AND INJURED AN EMPLOYEE WHO ATTEMPTED TO STOP YOU... ALL THIS ON YOUR OWN VOLITION! PALEY, THE BOARD HAS DECIDED TO REFUSE YOU YOUR PAROLE AT THIS TIME!



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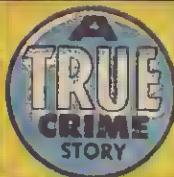


TODAY ALBERT PALEY IS SERVING OUT THE REMAINDER OF HIS TERM IN PRISON! LIKE ALL CRIMINALS, HE BLAMES EVERYONE BUT HIMSELF! HE HASN'T LEARNED THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY!



THE END

DESPITE THE FACT THAT OTHER CRIMINALS MADE A FALL GUY OUT OF YOU, PALEY, PREVIOUS TO THAT YOU COMMITTED CRIMES ON YOUR OWN VOLITION! YOU ROBBED A DELICATESSEN AFTER SLUGGING A HELPLESS OLD MAN...



"Alexander the Great" PARSONS CRAZY TO KILL!

THEY'RE TRAPPED!
IT'S TOUGH ON PAUL
AND VINCE, BUT THERE'S
NO REASON FOR ALL
OF US TO
GET CAUGHT!

THIS IS THE DOCUMENTED STORY OF A
KILL-CRAZY YEGG, WHO LEARNED ONLY
ONE AND A COSTLY LESSON--THAT YOU
CAN'T FOOL ALL OF THE COURTS ALL
OF THE TIME!



BEFORE HE WAS TWENTY, ALEX PARSONS
THOUGHT HE KNEW THE ANSWERS
TO EVERYTHING...

HEY! LOOKIT THAT
BOX OF CANDY! ARE
YOU LETTING RALPH
GRAVES MOVE IN
ON YOUR GIRL?

I AIN'T
WORRIED
ABOUT HIM!
I CAN GIVE
HER BETTER
THINGS THAN
CANDY!

YOU TOLD ME YOU DIDN'T LIKE
CANDY, MIDGE! REMEMBER?

ALEX! YOU
DELIBERATELY
KNOCKED THAT
OUT OF HIS
HAND!
WATCH
OUT!

IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!
ON YOUR WAY, RALPHIE
BOY! DIDN'T MIDGE
TELL YOU WE WERE
GOIN' STEADY?

I'M SORRY,
RALPH! COULD
WE MAKE IT
ANOTHER NIGHT?

ALEX,
SOME DAY YOU'RE
GOING TO MEET SOME-
BODY WITH A GANG
BEHIND HIM AS TOUGH
AS YOURS!



DROP BY LATER
AND WE'LL GIVE
YOU WHAT'S LEFT
OF YOUR BOX
OF CANDY!

BRING FLOWERS
NEXT TIME,
RALPH! I LOVE
TO SMELL THEM
PRETTY
FLOWERS!

THAT WAS
A DIRTY
TRICK, ALEX!
WHY DO YOU
HAVE TO
BE THAT
WAY?

I TAKE WHAT I
WANT, BABY! THEY
NAMED ME AFTER
ALEXANDER THE
GREAT, AND THAT'S
WHAT I'M GONNA
BE.. GREAT!

I BEEN READIN'
UP ON ALEXANDER,
AND HE WAS A
LOT LIKE ME..
TOUGH, HANDSOME,
AND A BORN
LEADER!

OH, ALEX!
I'D DO
ANYTHING
YOU ASK,
BUT I DO
WISH
YOU'D
STOP
BULLYING
PEOPLE!



AFTER 3 YEARS OF PETTY CRIME, ALEX
APPLIED FOR A JOB IN THE BIG TIME... WITH
THE NOTORIOUS TALLANT BROTHERS!

THINK WE
CAN USE HIM
VINCE? HE'S
STILL A SMALL-
TICKER

I'LL SHOW YOU HOW
BIG A SMALL-TIMER
CAN BE! JUST
GIVE ME THE
CHANCE!

AND
IF YOU
AIN'T
INTERESTED,
THERE'S
OTHER
OUTFITS!

NOW AIN'T YOU
THE TOUCHY
ONE! ALL I
GOTTA SAY IS
YOU PICKED
A BIG MOMENT
TO GLUE UP
WITH US!
WE'RE TAKIN' ON
A BANK IN
MARYLAND!

ALEX HAD BLIND FAITH IN TALLANT'S
MOB! THE ONLY QUESTION IN HIS MIND
WAS THE SIZE OF HIS CUT!

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT
YOUR CUT WILL BE—
LET'S SEE WHAT
WE GET FIRST!

YOU
KNOW
WHAT I
MEAN—
THE PER
CENT!



JUST ONE LITTLE THING
WENT WRONG! A TELLER
PUSHED A HIDDEN BUTTON...

THE ALARM!
THE DOORS ARE
SLAMMIN' SHUT!
I CAN
MAKE IT!



THOSE GUYS WERE AMATEURS! A BLINDMAN COULD CASED IT A LOT BETTER...I'VE GOTTA GET A PARTNER!



HIYA, BROTHER! LOOKS LIKE THE TALLANT BOYS DIDN'T HAVE AS MUCH TALENT AS THEY WERE THOUGHT!

THEY WERE BIG ON BIG IDEAS BUT SMALL ON BRAINS! WHEN ARE YOU GONNA GET GUTS ENOUGH TO JOIN UP?



WE COULD DO IT, STAN! WE NOT ONLY LOOK ALIKE..WE THINK ALIKE, AND WE KNOW WHAT WE WANT! WHAT DO YOU SAY? WE CAN'T GET CAUGHT BECAUSE WE WON'T BE CAUGHT!

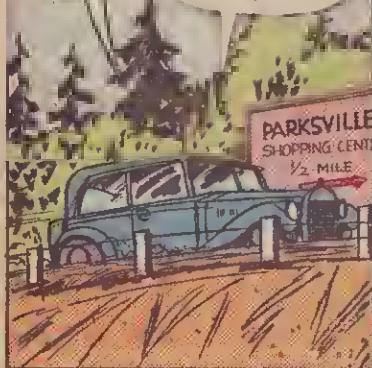
OKAY, I'M WITH YA, ALEX! LET'S DRINK TO IT!

THE INFAMY THAT ALEX WANTED HAD BROUGHT HIS DOWNFALL! ACTING ON THE CASHIER'S TIP, THE POLICE WERE SOON ON THEIR TRAIL!

WITHIN A YEAR, ALEX THE GREAT AND HIS "ONE MAN ARMY" WAS #30,000 TO THE GOOD, AND THEIR LUCK WAS STILL HOLDING!

THIS OUGHTA BE OUR BEST HAUL YET, ALEX!

YOU SAID IT, STAN! THIS JOB WILL MAKE THE FRONT PAGE OF EVERY PAPER IN THE STATE!



THIS POPGUN'S LOADED, CHUM! HAND OVER THE CASH, OR IT'LL GO OFF!

I KNOW THEM—THE PARSONS BROTHERS!



I TOLD YOU WE SHOULDA PLUGGED THAT GUY!

AND GET TAGGED WITH A MURDER RAP? NO, THANKS! THINGS ARE BAD ENOUGH NOW!



I NEVER SHOULD'A LISTENED TO YOU! YOU AND YOUR BIG PLANS... MISTER SMART ALEX!

I SEE THEM! SHUT UP! SHUT UP! I GOTTA THINK OF A WAY OUTTA THIS, AND FAST!



BUT ALEX DIDN'T THINK FAST ENOUGH!

YOU'RE SURROUNDED! PUT UP YOUR HANDS OR WE START SHOOTING!



DON'T SING, STAN! THEY CAN'T PIN NOTHIN' ON US! REMEMBER—MUM!

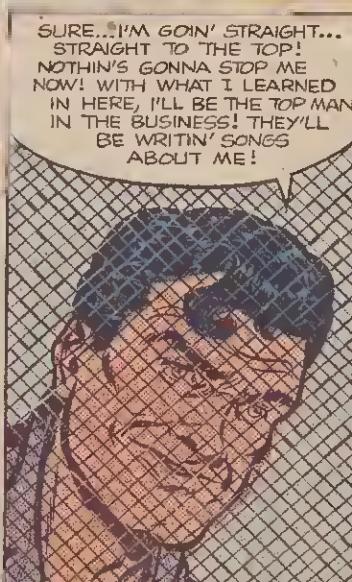
ALEX AND STAN STOOD TRIAL....

ALEX PARSONS, I SENTENCE YOU TO TEN YEARS, AND YOU, STAN LOZUN, TO FIVE YEARS IN STATE PRISON!

EASY, STAN! THERE'S ALWAYS A WAY OUT FOR EVERYTHING!

WHY, YOU STUPID...







A FEW DAYS AFTER THE MURDER OF STOREKEEPER CRAMPTON AND PHIL, MIDGE'S LOVE TURNED TO TERROR...



BUT INFAMY WAS FLEETING, EVEN FOR ALEX...

I KILL ANOTHER ONE AN' STILL NOTHIN' ON THE FRONT PAGE! WHY THOSE LOUSY EDITORS!

HE'S GONE CRAZY OVER HEADLINES!

I'LL SHOW 'EM! THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO FORGET ME! GET THE CAR! I'M GONNA BUST THIS STATE WIDE OPEN!

BUT... OKAY, ALEX! OKAY!

SERGEANT COLE AND POLICE CHIEF COLIN ANDERS OF TOMLANE COUNTY WERE UNDER HEAVY PRESSURE...

NOW THERE'S NO SENSE TO PARSONS' KILLINGS, CHIEF! HE'S OUT OF HIS MIND! HE MUST BE SHOT ON SIGHT!

BIGGEST

BIGGEST MANHUNT IN MARYLAND
MAD DOG KILLER STUNS AGAIN

HE'S KILLING INDISCRIMINATELY. THERE'S NO TELLING WHO MAY BE NEXT! SOMETIMES HE HAS NO MOTIVE, BUT HE'S STILL OPERATING IN THIS AREA!

WHEREVER THEY ARE, KILLERS LIKE THAT ARE NOT EASY TO CATCH... GET ME FOUR SHARP SHOOTERS AND AN ARMORED CAR! WE'RE GOING TO LIVE IN IT!

FOR FIVE DAYS THE MYSTERIOUS ARMORED CAR PARKED INVITINGLY IN OPEN STREETS, THEN...

DO MY EYES LIE OR DO I SEE A STALLED ARMORED CAR?

YEAH, BUT THIS ONE LOOKS TOO EASY, ALEX! I'D PASS IT UP!

THEY'RE ALL EASY. WHEN YOU'RE SMART! GET A BEAD ON THE DRIVER'S SEAT!

THERE THEY ARE, MEN! OPEN FIRE!



THE ENSUING ONE MAD MINUTE SAW THE DEATH OF ALEX PARSONS' YOUNG ACCOMPLICE AND THE CAPTURE OF THE KILLER...



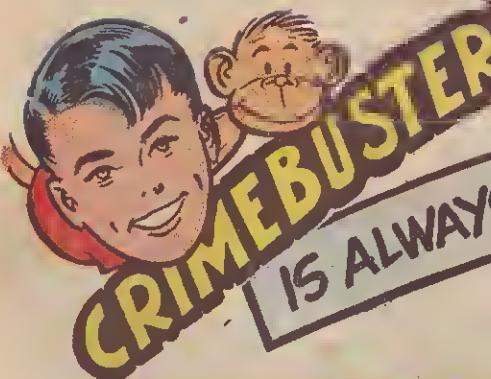
GO ON AND CRY, PARSONS! I FIGURED YOU'D TURN YELLOW WITHOUT YOUR GUN! YOU PLUNKS ARE ALL ALIKE! I OUGHT TO SAVE THE STATE YOUR TRIAL!

DON'T SHOOT! I'M UNARMED! I'M HURT! LET ME ALONE! DON'T SHOOT!

WHERE ARE MY LOYAL MEN? DON'T THEY KNOW THAT WE MARCH ON EGYPT TONIGHT?

YOU WON'T FOOL US WITH THAT INSANITY ACT AGAIN, PARSONS! YOU WILL GET THE ELECTRIC CHAIR!





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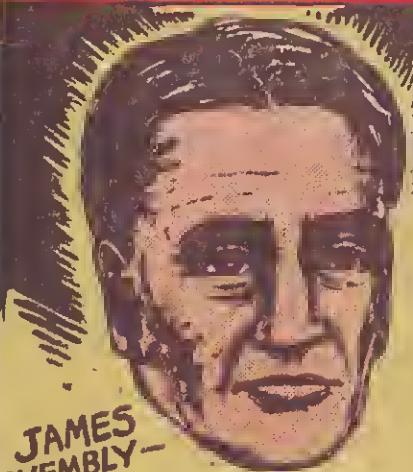
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SELL OUT FAST!**

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"CRIME DOES NOT PAY"



JAMES
WEMBY—

Pennsylvania.—

WAS ARRESTED FOR TRYING TO PASS A FORGED CHECK IN A SMALL COUNTRY STORE!

AFTER HE HAD SERVED HIS PRISON TERM, JAMES WENT DIRECTLY TO THE SAME STORE AND PURCHASED CLOTHES AND TOBACCO WITH GOOD MONEY... JAMES WANTED TO MAKE A NEW START IN LIFE FROM THE PLACE WHERE HE MADE HIS MISTAKE!

Contributed by
ELWOOD BESSER
Glen Rock, Pa. THANKS!

IT IS UNLAWFUL
TO HANG GIRLS
UNDERCLOTHES
ON AN OUT-OF-DOORS
CLOTHESLINE IN
Naperville, Ind.



NO FIRES
ALLOWED
ON BEACH

P.D.

A BURGLAR-PROOF JEWEL BOX
WAS DESIGNED SEVERAL YEARS AGO.
IT WAS EQUIPPED WITH 5 CONCEALED
GUNS WHICH WOULD SHOOT ANYONE
WHO ATTEMPTED TO OPEN THE LID,
WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THE
SAFETY LATCH, WHICH
PREVENTED THE GUNS
FROM FIRING!

C.H. MOORE

THE Santa Monica POLICE DEPARTMENT
HAD TO REPLACE THEIR WOODEN BEACH
SIGNS WITH METAL SIGNS... BECAUSE PEOPLE
WERE USING THE SIGNS FOR BEACH BONFIRES!



A CUSTOMER IN A NEW JERSEY LUNCH WAGON SAID TO THE COUNTERMAN, "SAY DID YA READ ABOUT THE LUNCH WAGON FELLOW THAT WAS SHOT BY HOLD-UP MEN IN MORRISVILLE THE OTHER NIGHT?"

"THAT FELLOW WAS FOOLISH TO PUT UP A FIGHT!" REPLIED THE COUNTERMAN. "YA MEAN YA WOULDN'T

PUT UP A FIGHT IF SOMEBODY TRIED TO STICK UP
YOUR LUNCH WAGON?.... THAT'S RIGHT—I THINK
MORE OF MY LIFE THAN THE MONEY A GUY
COULD TAKE," SAID THE COUNTERMAN!

"THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO KNOW
... THIS IS A STICK-UP... HAND
OVER YOUR CASH!" SAID THE
CUSTOMER, AS HE DREW A GUN!

PS

A DESCRIPTION OF THE
HOLD-UP MAN AS GIVEN
BY THE COUNTERMAN,
LEAD TO THE ARREST AND
CONVICTION OF THE
CRIMINAL!



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